# 9 FAM PART IV Appendix N, Exhibit I AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY OF IMMIGRATION OFFICERS ABROAD

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Immigration officers abroad have been authorized to perform certain functions such as joining with consular officers abroad in waivers of passport and visa requirements, authorizing the admission of ineligible aliens under the provisions of INA 212(d)(3)(A), and approval of petitions to accord immigrant status to relatives and applications for waivers of grounds of ineligibility and exclusion. Requests for such actions, when authorized, should be addressed by consular officers to the Immigration Officer in Charge (OIC), in care of the Foreign Service post located in the cities indicated below.

#### **EUROPE, AFRICA, NEAR EAST**

| LOCATION                         | AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY   |
|----------------------------------|--|
| District Director<br>Rome, Italy | Administrative supervision over Officers in Charge (OICs) in Europe, Africa, and the Near East, and South Asia.  |
| OIC, Accra, Ghana                | Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape<br>Verde, Chad, Cote D'Ivoire, Equitorial<br>Guinea, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea,<br>Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Ni-<br>geria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Gambia,<br>and Togo. |
| OIC, Athens, Greece              | Bahrain, Cyprus, Egypt, Greece, Iran,<br>Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon,<br>Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tur-<br>key, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen  |
| OIC, Copenhagen, Denmark         | Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland,<br>Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden  |
| OIC, Frankfurt, Germany          | Belgium, Germany, Luxembourg, Neth-<br>erlands, and Switzerland  |
| OIC, Johannesburg, South Africa  | Angola, Botswana, Comoros Islands,<br>Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauri-<br>tius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Af-<br>rica, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zim-<br>babwe.   |
| OIC, Lahore, Pakistan            | Pakistan and Afghanistan   |
| OIC, London, England             | United Kingdom and Republic of Ire-<br>land  |

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| OIC, Madrid, Spain    | Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco (in-<br>cludes Western Sahara), Portugal,<br>Spain and Tunisia.  |
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| OIC, Moscow, Russia   | Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia,<br>Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova,<br>Mongolia, Russia, Tajikistan, Turk-<br>menistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan   |
| OIC, Nairobi, Kenya   | Burundi, Central African Republic,<br>Congo, Democratic Republic of the,<br>Congo, Republic of the, Djibouti, Eri-<br>trea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Sey-<br>chelles, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, and<br>Uganda. |
| OIC, New Delhi, India | Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives,<br>Nepal, and Sri Lanka.  |
| OIC, Rome, Italy      | Italy, France, Holy See, and Malta   |
| OIC, Vienna, Austria  | Albania, Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina,<br>Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic,<br>Hungary, Former Yugoslav Republic of<br>Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia-<br>Montenegro, Slovak Republic, and Slo-<br>venia   |

#### FAR EAST<sup>1</sup>

| LOCATION                                | AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY  |
|---|---|
| District Director<br>Bangkok, Thailand  | Administrative supervision over OICs at Bangkok, Hong Kong, Manila, Seoul and Singapore   |
| OIC, Bangkok, Thailand                  | Australia, Burma, Cambodia, Laos,<br>New Zealand, Thailand and Vietnam  |
| OIC, Hong Kong                          | Hong Kong, Macau, Mongolia, People's<br>Republic of China, and Taiwan   |
| OIC, Manila, Philippines                | Papua-New Guinea, Republic of the Philippines and all countries in the Pacific area (other than those within the jurisdiction of the OIC at Bangkok) Hong Kong, Seoul, and Singapore. |
| OIC, Seoul, Korea                       | Japan and Korea   |
| OIC, Singapore<br>Republic of Singapore | Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia and Singa-<br>pore  |

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| LOCATION                                 | AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY  |
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| OICs ,Canada <sup>2</sup>                |   |
| District Director<br>Mexico City, Mexico | Administrative supervision over OICs at Ciudad Juarez, Guadalajara, Mexico City, Monterrey and Tijuana, Mexico and Panama City, Panama  |
| OIC, Guadalajara, Mexico                 | States of Aguascalientes, Baja California, Durango Colima, Guanajuato, Jalisco, Michoacan, Nayarit, Queretaro, San Luis Potosi, Sinaloa, Sonora, Zacatecas  |
| OIC, Mexico D.F., Mexico <sup>3</sup>    | States of Campeche, Chiapas, Guerrero Hidalgo, Mexico, Morelos, Oaxaca, Puebla, Tabasco, Tlaxcala, Veracruz, Yucatan and the Federal District and the Territory of Quinatana Roo, and the countries of Central America north of the Republic of Panama, and the islands of the Caribbean with the exception of those areas under the jurisdiction of the district directors, Mami (immigration offices in Freeport and Nassau, Bahamas) and San Juan U.S. Virgin Islands and the Dominican Republic) (and the OIC in Panama). |
| OIC, Monterrey, Mexico                   | States of Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nueva<br>Leon and Tamaulipas   |
| OIC, Panama City, Panama                 | All of South American, Curacao, Trinidad, Tobago and Panama   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Consular officers at Suva, Fiji Islands will refer cases of aliens entering the United States through Hawaii to the District Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) at Honolulu for concurrence in waivers of visa and passport requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Consular officers in Canada should communicate with an officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service located in one of the following cities, except that the Immigration Officer at Montreal may approve Forms I-724.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Consular officers in Mexico located near the border area may request the District Directors at San Antonio, El Paso, Houston, Phoenix, Los Angeles, and San Diego, or Officers in Charge at Calexico, San Ysidro, Douglas, Naco, Nogales, San Luis, Brownsville, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Hidalgo, Laredo and Roma to join in visa and passport waivers.

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| Portland, Maine     | Buffalo, New York     |
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| Detroit, Michigan   | New York, New York    |
| St. Paul, Minnesota | Seattle, Washington   |
| Helena, Montana     | Boston, Massachusetts |

#### INS OFFICES AND CONTROL OF REFUGEE NUMBERS

| INS Office Location | Refugee Numbers Controlled |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Rome                | Middle Eastern             |
| Bangkok             | Indochinese                |
| Central Office      | Western Hemisphere         |